

HIOSH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 19, 2005

HIOSH Training Room 427

1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Present: David Aki for Arthur Akana, Hawaii Teamsters, Local 996
Richard Botti, Legislative Information Service of Hawaii
Paul Chang, Hawaii Carpenters Union, Local 745
Delbert DeRego, ILWU Local 142, Maui Division
Robert Dove, Hawaii Employers Mutual Insurance Company (HEMIC)
Tim Lyons, The Hawaii Business League
Robert Nakamatsu, Department. of Human Resources Development
James Newberry, American Society of Safety Engineers
Gareth Sakakida, Hawaii Transportation Association
Thomas Vendetta, ISWC/Human Resources City & County of Honolulu
Shelley Wheeling-Park, Kaiser Permanente of Hawaii
Clayton Winger, Monarch Insurance Service

Absent: Lani Bjork, Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel
Steven Brooks, Building Industry Association
Gerald Estenzo, County of Kauai
Wade Hashizume, Hawaii Restaurant Association
Connie Hastert, Hawaii Employers Council
Dr. Charles Kelley, Outrigger Hotel
Tracy Lawson, General Contractors Association of Hawaii
Hernando Tan, HERE Local 5, AFL-CIO
Clifford Uwaine, Unite Public Workers

HIOSH: Allan Yokoyama, OSH Business Safety Facilitator
Ellen Kondo, Consultation & Training Branch
Tin Shing Chao, Occupational Health Branch
Les Kuratsu, Elevator Inspection Section
Lora Contreras, Hoisting Machine Operators' Advisory Board

The meeting was held in the HIOSH Training Room and called to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Member introductions and roll call.
2. The February 17, 2005 minutes were accepted.
3. HIOSH Activities/Status Reports
 - a. Presentation by Ellen Kondo, Manager, Consultation and Training

Highlights included business-friendly approach, vacancies, successes, accomplishments, Director's initiatives.

Presentation overview was preferred rather than individual reports.

b. Presentation by Lora Contreras, Hoisting Machine Operators' Advisory Board

Discussion on inclusion of tower crane operators in certification process.

Discussion of fall protection emphasis program.

4. Administrative Rules Regarding Leased Employees/PEO's (Professional Employer Organization)

Updates will be available at next meeting.

5. Safety Recognition and Awards

ASSE is providing the Pac Rim Awards Committee \$2,500 as a budget to promote the awards program and solicit more applicants. HIOSH continues to be the awarder of the Excellence in Safety Awards, will pay for the plaques/certificates and other direct costs since they are HIOSH awards and ASSE will be giving their own awards for recognition of individuals for various types of achievements in safety.

The Pac Rim Awards Committee requested help from the HIOSH Advisory Committee members on promoting the awards program.

Trifold applications were handed out at a variety of organization meetings over the past quarter. Extra copies were available. Advisory Committee members were given opportunity to have a copy mailed.

The criteria has not been settled yet. Advisory Committee will be informed when criteria is posted on the ASSE website. Businesses will be compared against the industry standard for their category.

The Pac Rim Awards Committee is looking for companies that used techniques to lower incident rates so that techniques can be shared and used by other companies.

Awards Committee is working with Federal Safety Council to get military involvement. Awards Committee wants military to get recognition but not compete with the business community.

6. Update of HIOSH Advisory Committee Representatives

- a. Mr. Ray Welsh, American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA), resigned. Mr. Tom Goob is the new representative. Tom is a very dedicated safety and health professional. He works with Diagnostic Laboratory Services, Inc. He did a lot of great things through AIHA. He started a lot of teleweb for AIHA and putting that out through membership to increase their learning opportunities. Tom Goob was voted in.
- b. A moment of silence was performed for Ernest Reese. He was one of the Operating Engineers. He passed away about a month ago.

7. Gerald Estenzo's Request to Form an Islandwide Safety Committee on Kauai

Advisory Committee will draft a letter to Mayor Baptiste requesting Gerald Estenzo's attendance to quarterly meetings.

Advisory Committee members representing an organization with members on Kauai will ask if they are interested in participating in a safety program.

Advisory Committee will refer Gerald Estenzo to Bobby Mataoka, Maui Safety Association, and Paul, Big Island Safety Association's president.

8. Location of August Meeting in Kona and Travel Arrangements

Advisory Committee decided meeting will be held on September 15, 2005.

A list was circulated to see how many were interested in attending.

Before authorizing, Director would like to know what will be accomplished in detailed.

Advisory Committee will work out the details regarding one or two training sessions on various types of topics.

9. Discussion on focus survey.
10. Discussion of Advisory Committee's role.
11. Jim Peck of Work Comp Hawaii gave opportunity to subscribe SPDC newsletter.
12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.